Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

August 2010

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.3 percent between July 2010 and August 2010 while the Canada All-items Index declined 0.1 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.3 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the August All-items Index increased from July 2010 primarily due to higher prices for electricity, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, and fresh fruit. Prices also rose for personal care supplies and equipment, dairy products, processed meat, and prescribed medicines.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for traveller accommodation, gasoline, and women's clothing. Prices also fell for inter-city transportation, men's clothing, cigarettes, and the purchase and operation of recreational vehicles.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 0.8 percent between August 2009 and August 2010 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.7 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 0.9 percent and 0.8 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The August All-items Index increased from August 2009 primarily due to higher prices for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, rent, and electricity. Prices also rose for food purchased from restaurants, replacement (new housing) cost, cigarettes, and water.

These increases were partially offset by decreased prices for gasoline, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, and prescribed medicines. Prices also fell for property taxes (including special charges), natural gas, home entertainment equipment, parts, and services, and inter-city transportation.

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ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	August 2010	July 2010	July 2010 to August 2010	August 2009 to August 2010
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	118.8	118.5	0.3	0.8
Food	124.2	123.7	0.4	1.1
Shelter	141.2	140.2	0.7	1.1
Household Operations and Furnishings	104.8	104.9	-0.1	0.0
Clothing and Footwear	96.0	96.4	-0.4	0.1
Transportation	108.2	108.2	0.0	0.4
Health and Personal Care	115.0	113.9	1.0	0.5
Recreation, Education and Reading	104.8	105.3	-0.5	0.0
Tobacco and Alcohol	139.8	140.6	-0.6	5.4
All-Items Excluding Energy	117.5	117.4	0.1	0.9
Energy	130.7	129.0	1.3	-1.0
CANADA				
All-Items	116.7	116.8	-0.1	1.7
Food	123.5	123.7	-0.2	1.6
Shelter	124.0	124.3	-0.2	2.4
Household Operations and Furnishings	109.0	109.2	-0.2	1.9
Clothing and Footwear	90.1	88.8	1.5	-2.2
Transportation	117.1	117.4	-0.3	2.0
Health and Personal Care	116.4	115.6	0.7	3.5
Recreation, Education and Reading	105.0	105.1	-0.1	0.6
Tobacco and Alcohol	134.4	134.5	-0.1	2.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	114.9	115.0	-0.1	1.4
Energy	139.2	139.8	-0.4	5.0
REGINA				
All-Items	119.1	118.8	0.3	0.9
SASKATOON				
All-Items	119.8	119.6	0.2	0.8

Note: These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	July 2010 to August 2010	August 2009 to August 2010
Canada	-0.1	1.7
Newfoundland	0.2	2.4
Prince Edward Island	0.2	1.2
Nova Scotia	0.1	1.7
New Brunswick	0.1	1.7
Quebec	0.1	0.6
Ontario	0.0	2.9
Manitoba	0.1	0.3
Saskatchewan	0.3	0.8
Alberta	-0.5	0.6
British Columbia	-0.1	1.5
Whitehorse	0.0	0.8
Yellowknife	0.0	1.5
Iqaluit	0.0	-1.7

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	July 2010 to August 2010	August 2009 to August 2010
St. John's	0.2	2.4
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.1	1.2
Halifax	0.1	1.6
Saint John	0.1	1.8
Quebec City	0.1	0.7
Montreal	0.0	0.4
Ottawa	-0.1	2.9
Toronto	0.0	3.1
Thunder Bay	-0.1	2.8
Winnipeg	0.1	0.3
Regina	0.3	0.9
Saskatoon	0.2	0.8
Edmonton	-0.5	0.7
Calgary	-0.5	0.5
Vancouver	0.0	1.8
Victoria	-0.1	1.2
Whitehorse	0.0	0.8
Yellowknife	0.0	1.5
Iqaluit	0.0	-1.7

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